

South Korea Lifts Ban on Discussion Of Reunification

SEOUL — South Korea announced Thursday that a ban on public discussion of reunification with North Korea is being lifted...

The dissidents have called for an initiative to allow North Korea to co-sponsor the Summer Olympics scheduled in Seoul.

Mr. Chung said that President Roh Tae Woo presided over a meeting of the cabinet...

European Allies Laud Summit Results

BRUSSELS — The European allies welcomed on Thursday the outcome of the Moscow summit meeting...

SUMMIT: Success for U.S.

had described the Soviet leader as vigorous and determined to press ahead with his reform program.

Mr. Reagan and Mr. Gorbachev parted company in Moscow on Thursday expressing confidence they had advanced the cause of peace during five days of a "Moscow spring."

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Dumas Asserts France Will Continue To Base Defense on Nuclear Arsenal

By Joseph Fitchett International Herald Tribune PARIS — Roland Dumas, the French foreign minister, told the United Nations on Thursday that France would not give up its nuclear arsenal...

Yugoslavia Nears Shift To Market Economy

BELGRADE — The government has submitted a radical economic plan to parliament and says it is close to obtaining a \$490 million standby credit from the International Monetary Fund.

Opposition Leader Assails Khomeini As Signs of Internal Strife Increase

PARIS (NYT) — In a dramatic indication of mounting opposition to the ruling regime in Iran and the continued war with Iraq, Mr. Bazzargan, the first prime minister appointed by Ayatollah Khomeini...

Eastern and Continental Called Safe

WASHINGTON (AP) — Eastern Airlines and Continental Airlines are being operated safely, but labor turmoil at Eastern raises the safety problems there, according to an investigation by the Transportation Department.

WORLD BRIEFS

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TRAVEL UPDATE

For the Record

A typhoon swept across the northern Philippines and Taiwan Thursday, killing at least one person. A week-long storm in central Guatemala caused heavy flooding, leaving four persons dead and thousands homeless.

Sweden Reports Submarine Intruder

STOCKHOLM (Reuters) — The Swedish Navy fired depth charges and anti-submarine grenades on Thursday at suspected underwater intruders off the southeastern coast.

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THE MOSCOW SUMMIT: 'Face to face and going at it pretty heavy until the end'

U.S. Right Praising Reagan

It Hails Emphasis On Civil Liberty

By Edward Walsh

Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON — President Ronald Reagan's performance during the Moscow summit meetings was generally praised by U.S. conservatives...

From a Soviet Expert, an Upbeat View of Meetings

Although Western reports on the Moscow summit meeting have emphasized the lack of progress on arms control, the view from Moscow, as expressed by one leading foreign policy expert...

Q. He did, however, complain of missed opportunities? A. Yes. It seems he believes that some points on the agenda could have been advanced more.

Q. But human rights do seem to be a major sticking point between Mr. Reagan and Mr. Gorbachev? A. Comrade Gorbachev suggested the establishment of a mutual forum, American and Soviet, to discuss this problem...

SUMMIT Q&A

Q. What did the summit achieve? A. There are a lot of achievements. The question of strategic arms reductions is the most crucial.

Q. Where do the two sides stand on chemical and conventional weapons? A. The Soviet Union has made significant steps in the field of verification of chemical weapons...

Q. Is Mr. Gorbachev frustrated by the difficulties you mention? A. No. He believes it is possible to terminate this treaty before the year is over.

side inspections in situ in order to achieve mutual trust and eliminate existing imbalances.

Q. Then what? A. After we have eliminated imbalances, then both sides can start a proportional reduction of conventional weapons.

Q. The Soviet Union obviously still has a problem with President Reagan's strategic defense initiative? A. Our position has not changed. If the Americans want to deploy weapons in space...

Q. Was there any progress on regional issues? A. The summit consolidated the principle of achieving political settlements, as in Afghanistan...

Q. How do you assess the personal relations between Mr. Reagan and Mr. Gorbachev? A. Much warmer.

Q. Would you say that the summit has built up a certain momentum in relations between the superpowers? A. It is not a question of building momentum. That was yesterday.

Q. Are you disappointed by the progress in achieving a settlement in Afghanistan? A. Yes. Some actions by Pakistan concern us. We still hope the situation will evolve in a positive way.

Q. In what other practical ways has the summit process helped U.S.-Soviet relations? A. Great progress was achieved in bilateral relations. There is an unbelievably wide spectrum of activities in science, industry, arts, sports, transportation...

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Despite conservative opposition to the Intermediate-Range Nuclear Forces Treaty, and fear that Mr. Reagan is rushing to conclude a new arms-control agreement...

"If 10 percent of some of the things he said about human rights and freedom gets out to the Russian people, then, yes, the summit is a plus," said Senator Steven D. Symms, Republican of Idaho...

Burton Pines, senior vice president of the conservative Heritage Foundation, said Mr. Reagan went to Moscow determined "to get his message out to the Russian people, and that he has done extraordinarily well."

Mr. Reagan's speech on Tuesday at Moscow State University, with its main theme of freedom, won widespread praise. However, Mr. Reagan appears to have tarnished his performance with conservatives during a news conference in Moscow on Wednesday when he suggested that Soviet bureaucracy, rather than deliberate government policy, might account for the Soviet Union's obstacles to emigration.

Human-rights problems are endemic to the Soviet system, not just the bureaucracy, but in the fundamental nature of the government," said Representative Jack Kemp, Republican of New York...

The strongest criticism came from F. Andy Messing Jr., executive director of the National Defense Council Foundation. He referred to the angry response of American Indian leaders to Mr. Reagan's statement on Tuesday that perhaps the U.S. government "should not have humored" Indians by permitting them to live on reservations.

Accusing Mr. Reagan of abandoning the conservative agenda he brought to office for "his place in history," Mr. Messing said: "If Reagan had been the 1980 Reagan, he would have told Gorbachev to get the hell out of Central America, but he's not the Reagan of 1980."

Mr. Messing said the immediate post-summit political dangers are most acute for Mr. Gorbachev, who is certain to come under criticism from his conservatives for allowing Mr. Reagan "to meddle in our internal affairs."

But others were more enthusiastic about the likely effect of the summit meetings. Richard Pipes, a conservative scholar of Soviet affairs at Harvard University, called it "better than any summit we've had before" and predicted an improvement in U.S.-Soviet relations.

The House minority whip, Trent Lott, Republican of Mississippi, who is among the many conservative Republicans skeptical of the START negotiations, said, "I think we should be cautious, and I thought the summit was a little bit gushy at times, but overall it's been positive."

Asked about Mr. Reagan's changes in rhetoric from the time he described the Soviet Union as an "evil empire," Mr. Lott said: "Gorbachev is different from his two predecessors and some good things are happening there, although not enough."



Flags come down — As President Reagan and his wife rode to the airport Thursday from the Kremlin, workers were out to take down the American flags that had lined the route.

Inside View: Baker Reports 'Pretty Heavy' Going at Talks

The Associated Press

ABOARD AIR FORCE ONE — Mikhail S. Gorbachev challenged President Ronald Reagan at their last meeting of the summit over the wording of the communiqué, and they were "going at it pretty heavy until the end," the White House chief of staff, Howard H. Baker Jr., said Thursday.

Mr. Baker described Mr. Gorbachev as a strong leader and said he had projected the same image in the private talks as he did at his nearly two-hour news conference, where he was feisty and in command.

Mr. Baker said that in talks with Mr. Reagan, Mr. Gorbachev "goes on at some length but he does not filibuster."

He says what he says and he doesn't back up and say, 'I meant to say so and so,' Mr. Baker recalled.

Mr. Baker described the final Reagan-Gorbachev meeting on Wednesday morning, about six hours before the summit communiqué was made public.

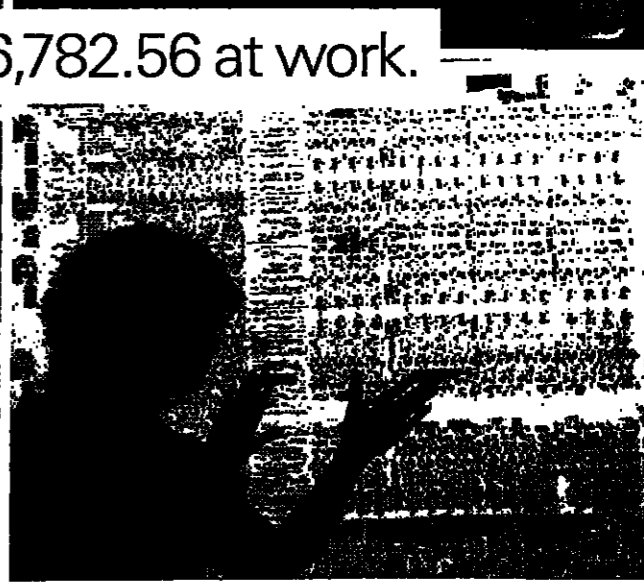
As the meeting ended, all of us stood up, including the president and the general secretary, and the president and general secretary exchanged a friendly handshake.

Mr. Reagan called the film "an American classic" and offered it Monday as a toast to "friendly persuasion" in superpower negotiations.

The screenwriter, who died in 1978, shared an Academy Award in 1951 for best screenplay for "A Place in the Sun."



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OPINION

INTERNATIONAL Herald Tribune

Summit: Glad It's Over

It was exciting to have President Reagan in Moscow, but, truth be told, it will be good to have him out...

With four summit meetings now marked down in less than three years, the superpowers may be getting to the welcome point...

Beware of the Mullahs

It is mid-October. A candidate for president trails badly in the polls. But then he dramatically announces the freeing of several hostages in Beirut...

Their first success was in 1980, when Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini used the Tehran hostage crisis to defeat President Jimmy Carter...

Gridlock in the Sky?

It is that sweaty-palm time of year inside airports and up in the clouds when all the frequent fliers and not-so-frequent seasonal travelers converge into one big summer-long version of rush hour in the skies...

Other Comment

Hanoi and the Politics of Aid: Hanoi has said that three million of its people face starvation unless the world extends 108,000 tons of emergency food aid...

We're Falling for the Gorbachev Hard Sell

By William Safire

MOSCOW — The pressure to embrace Mikhail Gorbachev as the apostle of democratization and disarmament proved too much for Ronald Reagan this week.

encouragement of exposure of crimes has created a sense of excitement and wonder. But the hard sell is unmistakable. The bad guys of bureaucracy are still present...

Even Skeptical Applaud The Changes

By Anthony Lewis

BOSTON — Valery Solfer was a well-placed Soviet molecular biologist in 1978...

"I was surprised," he said, "that one of the students at Moscow University asked President Reagan openly about his meeting with the dissidents..."

Most of us would see nothing special in that student question or other things that struck Dr. Solfer. His reaction is surely Soviet society, citizens or Western residents...



Now we are at the nub of the matter: Is it in America's interest to support Mr. Gorbachev — to campaign openly for him in Moscow, as Mr. Reagan did, and to make it possible for him to put consumer goods in his people's impatient hands?

Reversing Our Failure as Custodians of the Planet

By Werner Fornos

WASHINGTON — Each generation of the human species has as its first responsibility the custodianship of the planet.

meaning a loss of 14 million tons of world grain production a year. Brian W. Walker, president of the International Institute for Environment and Development...

major environmental organizations echo Mr. Walker's contention that "governments and people cause environmental degradation and, hence, malnutrition. The fault, he adds, should not be placed on "God, nature or the climate."

Trafficking With Noriega: A Woeful, Farcical History

By Haynes Johnson

WASHINGTON — So Manuel Antonio Noriega said no deal is off. The Reagan administration should thank the good general. He has saved it from itself...

New York Times report by Seymour M. Hersh, 3,880 words long and published under the headline "Panama Strongman Said to Trade in Drugs, Arms and Illicit Money..."

Mr. Poindexter, then the newly appointed national security adviser, visited the general and privately told him to "cut it out," alluding to the drug and money-laundering activities...

The Eyes of the World Can Help Chile

By Ariel Dorfman

DURHAM, North Carolina — For the first time in 15 years, the Chilean people stand a fighting chance of ridding themselves of their tyrant, General Augusto Pinochet.

How can we call an election when the government terrorizes its citizens, torturing and "disappearing" them; when soldiers arrest and beat up youngsters who campaign against General Pinochet...

The writer is a Chilean who teaches at Duke University. He contributed this comment to The New York Times.

100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1888: Victoria Turns 69 LONDON — The Queen's birthday was officially and popularly celebrated today (June 2) throughout the United Kingdom...

1938: Against Bolshevism MILAN — Italy-German solidarity was expressed in concrete action for the first time in the common opposition of the two countries to the invasion of Bolshevism in Western Europe...

1913: Immigration Bill WASHINGTON — Senator Dillingham of Vermont will introduce today (June 2) a bill restricting annual immigration from any country to 10 per cent the number of persons of a similar nationality resident in the United States at the time of the latest census...

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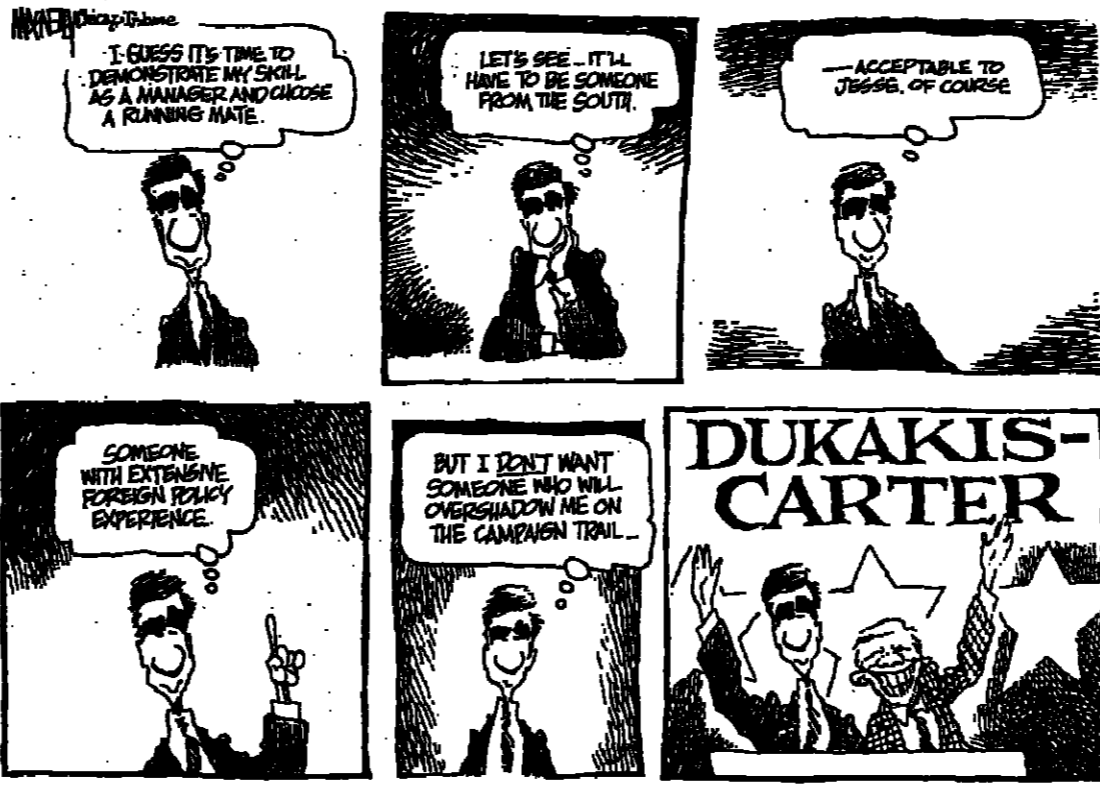
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OPINION

Jackson's Budget Manifesto And the Role of Government

By Robert J. Samuelson

WASHINGTON — The Reverend Jesse Jackson's budget plan needs to be taken seriously. With it, he establishes an elaborate liberal agenda and himself as its champion. Mr. Jackson may not be elected president in 1988, but his ideas will exert a powerful influence on the left wing of the Democratic Party. Like Ronald Reagan, Mr. Jackson has a clear and compelling vision of what government should do.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dealing With the Drug Issue: For and Against Legalization

Regarding "Legalizing Drugs Isn't The Way" (April 23): A.M. Rosenthal writes that children who take crack, a potent derivative of cocaine, are lost quickly. But he misses the point. Crack is already abundant and would not become more tempting if legalized. It is not the illegality that restrains drug use; occasionally illegality makes drugs alluring to the young.

average of 5.6 percent (airport and en route charges) is eye-catching and biased.

It is also misleading as it lumps together airport charges, en route charges, and other unrelated charges imposed on airlines by a variety of authorities. Airport authorities are only responsible for the airport charges they themselves levy. According to the International Civil Aviation Organization, in 1986 (the latest data available), airport charges worldwide stood at 34 percent of the total operating costs of scheduled airlines — a percentage which is in fact lower than in 1970-1981, and which has remained virtually unchanged since 1982.

GENERAL NEWS

Bush Criticizes 2 Right-Wingers in Party

By Gerald M. Boyd
New York Times Service
KENNEBUNKPORT, Maine — Vice President George H.W. Bush dismissed two outspoken conservatives, Richard A. Viguerie and Howard J. Phillips, as part of a move to unify the party's right wing.

Duarte Has Cancer; His Condition Is Grave

The Associated Press
SAN SALVADOR — President José Napoleón Duarte is being treated in the United States for cancer of the stomach and liver and is on the verge of death, according to the acting chief executive of El Salvador.

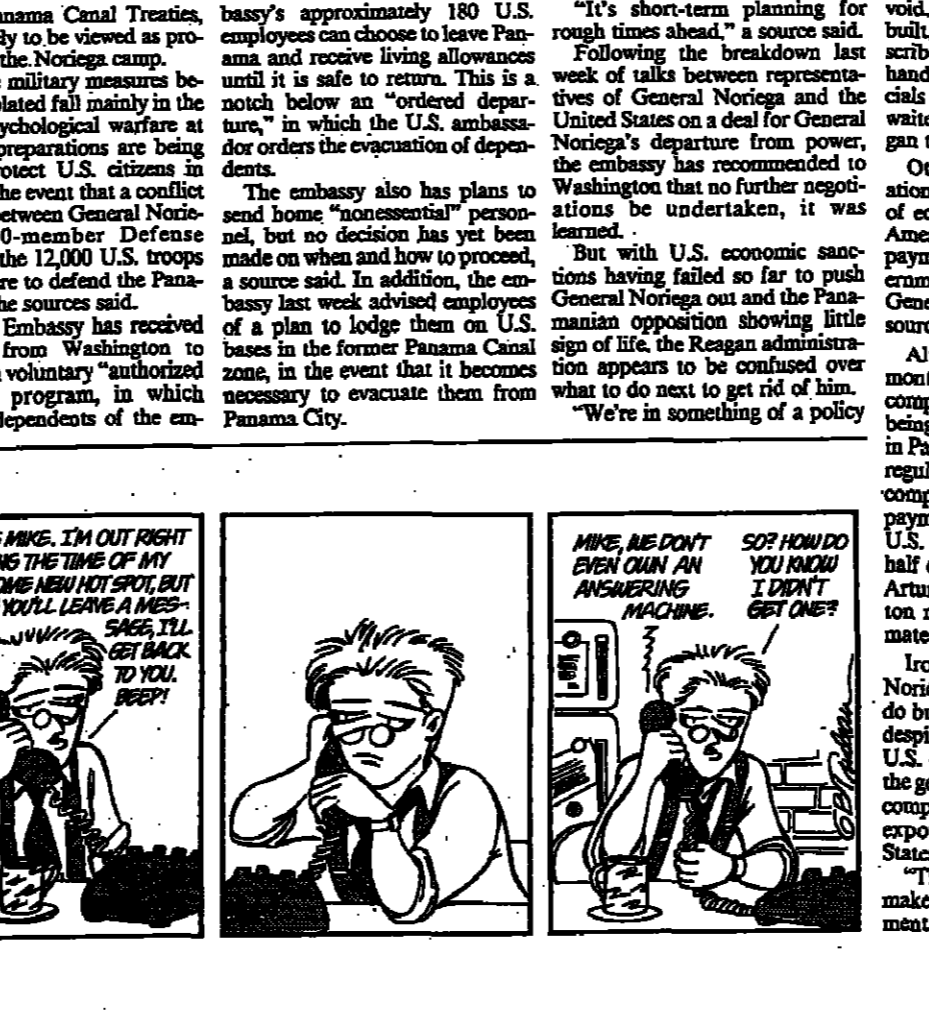
U.S. Troops Weigh Responses to Harassment by Noriega

By William Branigan
Washington Post Service
PANAMA CITY — Amid inter-agency debate over how to achieve the removal of General Manuel Antonio Noriega, the U.S. Southern Command is preparing to take a harder line against what is seen as increasing harassment by Noriega forces, sources here say.

McCarthy Enters U.S. Race

New York Times Service
PHILADELPHIA — Former Senator Eugene J. McCarthy, 72, of Minnesota is running for the presidency as a candidate for the Democratic Party, 20 years after he ran for president as an independent. The Consumer Party, rooted in the anti-Vietnam War movement, claims 4,000 members.

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The Iconoclast From Waco Could Make a Shotgun Sing

By Joe Murray
LUFKIN, Texas — I doubt you'll ever hear the name of "O Dammit!" on or off Broadway. Being mainly a Texas play, Broadway would consider it off the face of the earth.

INTERNATIONAL REAL ESTATE MARKETPLACE

Real estate listings categorized by region: Florida Real Estate, Real Estate for Sale (France, Great Britain, Ireland, Italy, Switzerland, USA General), Real Estate to Rent/Share (Great Britain, Paris Area, Switzerland), and Real Estate for Rent/Share (Switzerland). Includes details on properties like 'Place Victor Hugo', 'Essex House', and 'Marbella Club Villa'.

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TRAVELER'S CHOICE

Canada's National Gallery

The National Gallery of Canada opened last month in Ottawa, providing the national art collection of nearly 40,000 works (paintings, sculpture, decorative arts, silver, prints, drawings and photographs) with its first permanent home. The new gallery, designed by the Canadian architect Moshe Safdie and built of glass and Quebec granite, sits above the Ottawa River and faces the Parliament buildings. The bulk of the collection is devoted to Canadian art, but includes Canada's richest holdings of European art and 13 galleries devoted to postwar international art. A permanent exhibition devoted to Eskimo culture displays 160 Inuit sculptures. The museum's first major exhibition, opening June 16, is a retrospective of the work of Edgar Degas, recently seen in Paris.

Crafts, Antiques in London

Displayed in an oriental-style bazaar at London's Zama Gallery is a wide range of traditional craft work of Central Asia—metalwork by Turkoman tribesmen, woodwork from Pakistan, Afghan pottery, and cushions, rugs, embroidery and jewelry. Several lectures are planned in conjunction with the sales, which continue until July 30 (Zama Gallery, 1 Cromwell Gardens, SW7). Closer to home, the Grosvenor House Antiques Fair June 9 to 18 displays British dealers' finest antiques and objets d'art. The show includes an exhibition of fine silver from Dunham Massey, a National Trust property, Grosvenor House, Park Lane, London, W1.

In Footsteps of Thomas Hardy

England's foremost regional writer, Thomas Hardy (1895-1928), provides the inspiration for a series of literary pilgrimages this season to Wessex, the country he made famous. The itinerary includes Hardy's birthplace, Bockhampton, and a night's stay in the 15th-century manor house Maizen Newton, the "Chalk Newton" of "Tess of the D'Urbervilles." The tours coincide with the 60th anniversary of the author's death and take in the principal sites of Hardy's Wessex—Dorsetshire and the southwest English counties. The tours for one, three or seven days are conducted by Hardy specialists and limited to groups of 15. They are scheduled until October. The three-day tours, which begin in London, cost £268 (about \$670). Information: Inghild Enterprises, St. Peter's Cottage, Cattistock, Dorchester, Dorset DT2 0JD. Tel: (030) 20-671.

Roving Fireworks Spectacular

Fireworks may mean the Fourth of July to most Americans, but there will also be fireworks at special events being staged around the United States this summer, thanks to Madison Avenue. In what might be described as an explosive traveling commercial, Lever Brothers Company is for the second year staging its traveling fireworks tour around the United States, produced by the Graco family fireworks firm. Fireworks buffs will be able to catch it at several events, including the Harbor Expo in Baltimore on June 18; the Milwaukee Summerfest on July 1; the Kool Jazz Festival in Philadelphia on Aug. 19; the Summerfest Regatta in Charleston, West Virginia, on Sept. 4 and the St. Louis Arts Festival on Oct. 7.

Swiss Sounds of Jazz

The sounds of jazz will be heard in Switzerland all summer. The string of events starts with New Orleans Jazz Festivals in Lugano June 17 to 19 and Ascona June 24 to July 3. The action moves to Montreux with its 22d International Jazz Festival July 2 to 17. There will be an open-air jazz festival in Solothurn Aug. 26 to 27, then a four-day fete in Willisau, near Lucerne, Sept. 1 to 4.

Starring in 'Star Trek'

For "Star Trek" fans, an attraction coming June 9 to Universal Studios in Los Angeles offers a chance to step into the world of Captain Kirk and Mr. Spock. People taking the daily tour of Universal Studios can act out parts in a "Star Trek" adventure, with costumes, sets and special effects. The scenes will be edited together with footage from the movies and combined with computer-generated special effects. The seven-minute episode will be played back a few minutes later. The would-be stars, selected from the audience, will portray crew members, Klingons and aliens on a sound stage fitted with replicas of the Enterprise. To star in the adventure costs nothing, but the price into Universal Studios for the day is \$17.50. Copies of a show cost about \$30.

Prague Takes Off The Scaffolding



Photograph by John Coppo-Van Handel

by Robert K. McCabe

PRAGUE — If there's a world championship of civic beauty, Prague is right up there on top with Paris. Despite the tragedies that have marked its history over the centuries since it was founded a thousand years ago, the heart of the Czechoslovak capital today overflows with superb buildings in a multitude of styles.

There is 13th-century Romanesque on view, as well as flat-out Modern, and just about everything in between except Cape Cod Salt

Over much of the last decade, however, that had not seemed so. Central Prague's beauty was hidden beneath a maze of scabrous boardings, blackened wood and rusty scaffolding that forced up memories of the city's darkest days.

No more. Now much (but not all) of that ugliness has been stripped away. The ancient center of the city is suddenly on brilliant, fresh-as-paint display. Romanesque, Gothic, Renaissance, Baroque buildings, all newly renovated, vie for attention, and a thoughtful and far-ranging renovation program jogs right along.

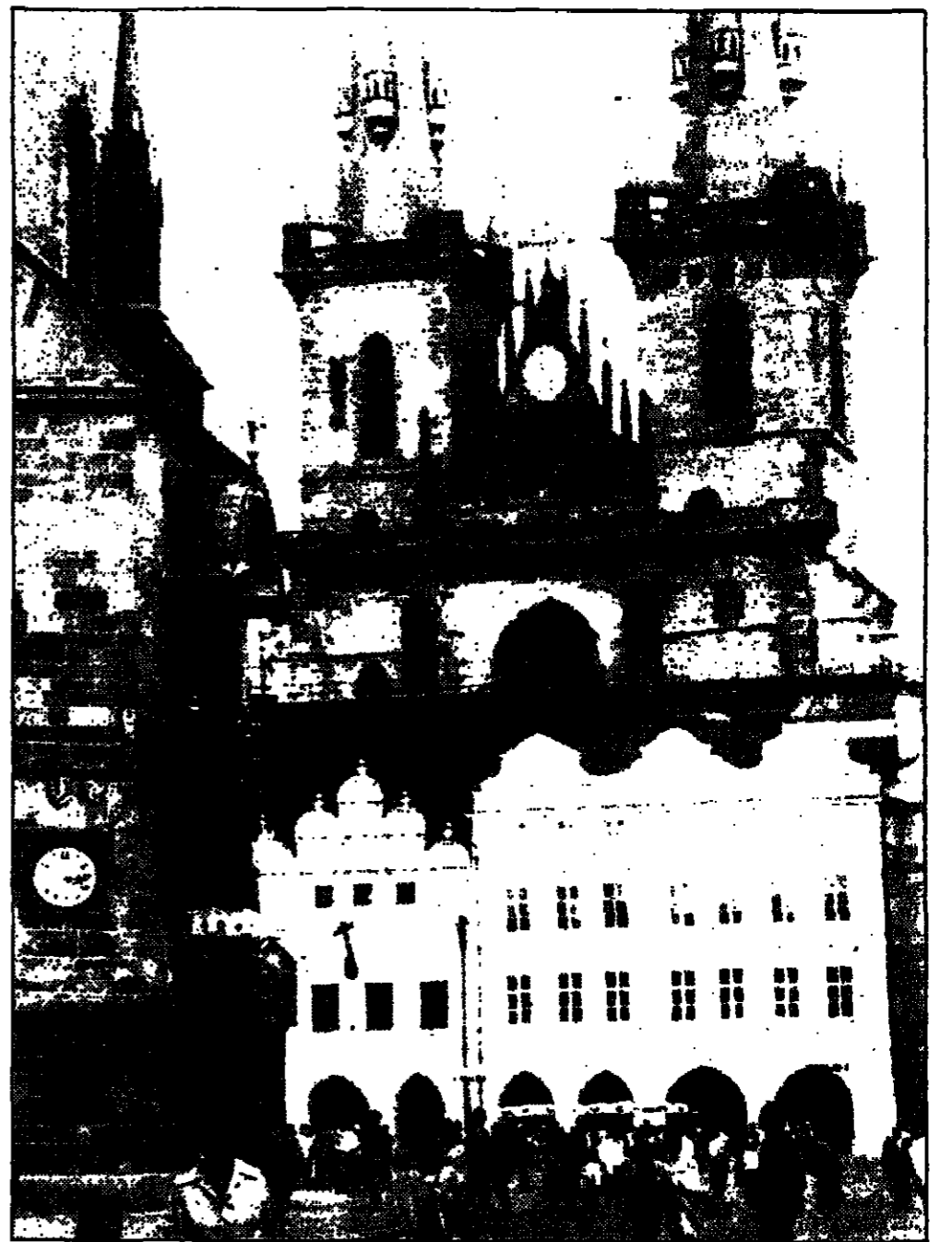
The centerpiece is the Royal Road, a cobbled street of two kilometers (1.2 miles) running from the 15th century Powder Tower, on the eastern edge of the Old City, along Celetna Street westward across the state-lined Charles Bridge and up to the somber heights of Hradcany, the hill crowned by Prague Castle. Tradition has it that this was the route followed by the kings of Bohemia during their coronations.

So far, only the first stage of the route has been restored. But this section, between the Powder Tower and the Old Town Square (Staromestske Namesti), not only is a sample of what is to come but a showcase of the best in Prague. And vehicles are banned; it's all a pedestrian zone. So far, about 52 buildings have been renovated in this area at a cost of more than \$31 million.

Lining both sides of Celetna and the square are prime examples of all Prague's major styles of architecture. The darkly Gothic Tyn Church, at the eastern side of the square, dates back to the 14th century. Nearby is the Baroque Kinsky Palace, assembled in the late 18th century from four medieval buildings, and across the way is the 14th century Old Town Hall, which comprises at least 15 multicolored facades, partially destroyed by German troops during Prague's liberation 43 years ago last month. Part of the damaged section was deliberately left unrestored.

But the jewel of the lot—and the

Above, Old Town Square (Staromestske Namesti) with the Kinsky Palace on the right; right, the Gothic Tyn Church.



biggest surprise—is the Stone Bell House, said Dr. Jan Mraz, director of the State Institute for Reconstruction of Historic Towns and Monuments in Prague. Until the 1960s, when repairs began, he said, the house had seemed to be neo-Baroque, dating from the late 19th century. But when renovation began, workers discovered a much older house behind that facade, one with elements built in the 13th century.

It was in fact a palace, possibly the property of Queen Eliska Premyslova, in its earlier incarnation. Over the next three centuries, a succession of patrician owners added to its grandeur. Then, sometime after 1685, the house was rescaled. Three stories were crammed into a

structure intended for just two levels. Much of the original Gothic embellishments were scrapped. In 1899, the neo-Baroque facade was stuck on, to be peeled away only in the 1970s.

During its long renovation, which began in 1973, elements from many periods in the house's history have been preserved. The cellars and chapel, for example, date to the 13th century, murals to

the 14th century, and portals from the 14th and 15th.

JUST as the Stone Bell House incorporates a bit of the best from six centuries, so does the Royal Road. At the east end, for example, is The House of the Black Virgin, built in Cubist style by the architect Josef Gocar in 1912. There's the cream and tan Mahard Palace, built in about 1700,

which houses one of Prague's best wine restaurants (U Pavolka, or The Spider) in its capacious cellars and has two fine statues, one an original, in its courtyard.

And there is the spectacular Town Clock, housed in the Old Town Hall, which has drawn spectators since 1490 to the spectacle of its clockwork figures going through

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Stone Bell House, restored.

Box. There are those who argue that the heart of this glowing city on the Vltava is more a living museum of architecture than a national capital, and on a long spring evening in one of the livelier wine taverns, that logic seems unassailable.

Berwick, Nearly Scotland

by Anne Wilson

BERWICK-UPON-TWEED, England — The cry of seagulls and the slow beat of the white swan's wings as they rise from the River Tweed symbolize the haunting, isolated beauty of

Berwick-upon-Tweed. The river dictates the lie of the town. It comes in a wide sweep to meet the sea, enfolding the town in a near complete embrace of water.

The northernmost town in England, Berwick is a place of red granite roofs and stately, gray Georgian houses enclosed by

well-preserved Elizabethan walls that are a reminder of its embattled past. Sir Nikolaus Pevsner, in "The Buildings of England," describes it as "one of the most exciting towns in England, a real town, with the strongest sense of enclosure... with hardly an irritating building anywhere."

Berwick, two miles south of the Scottish border, changed hands 14 times between England and Scotland before it was claimed finally by the English in 1482. Its loyalties are still divided; the question whether Berwick is essentially Scottish or essentially English is still a sensitive one. The Berwick accent betrays the ambivalence—it is an extraordinary combination of Scottish and Geordie, the accent of Newcastle, 60 miles to the south.

HERE on one of the least inhabited coasts of England (Berwick's population is only about 11,000) long stretches of white sand lie beside a cold turbulent sea. There are mud flats frequented by rare sea birds and rocky islands inhabited only by birds and seals. Inland the Cheviot Hills are scattered with castles, reminders of centuries of border conflict. Six miles south of Berwick is Holy Island, reached by a manmade causeway at low tide, where St. Cuthbert lived and prayed in the early days of British Christianity and where, after his death, the Lindisfarne gospels were written and illuminated. A 12th-century church and the ruins of a 13th-century monastery still remain.

The Elizabethan walls provide a perfect way to see the town on

foot. (The distance is just over a mile and a trail leaflet is available from the Tourist Information Center.) Staring at Scotgate, a triple Victorian arch through the walls, a path leads up to a bastion called Meg's Mount. From here there are fine views of the Tweed, the coast as far down as Holy Island and the Cheviot Hills. You can also compare the three bridges that cross the river, each from a different era—the 19th-century arched railway bridge, a great feat of engineering in its day; the concrete Royal Tweed, completed in 1928; and the stone Old Berwick, which dates to the 17th century. Also visible, if the tide is right, are the cobbles on the river—shallow fishing boats of a traditional Northumberland design that have been used in this area for centuries.

From Meg's Mount the path goes down beside the Tweed. This section of the wall is largely Georgian, built at a lower level and attached to the medieval fortifications. Quay Walls, the small row of houses on the quayside, is a good example of the restoration that has been done in Berwick in the last few years, causing some observers to suggest that it is fast becoming the best preserved town in Europe. The granaries and merchants' houses have been restored to full Georgian glory; the pathway has been refloaged, iron railings replaced and the 19th-century gas lamps renewed. The houses are tall and elegant, each with a different design, incorporating idiosyncratic features. No. 21, for example, once

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At Brass Bastion, you walk down past Holy Trinity Church (one of only two churches built in Cromwell's time) to the barracks. One of the first barracks built in Britain, work on the low, stone building around a central courtyard began in 1717.

The barracks, now restored, house three museums. One is the Regimental Museum of the King's Own Scottish Borderers, displaying uniforms, equipment, arms, pictures and models relating to the regiment's history. It includes two reconstructed rooms: a barracks room of the 1730s, revealing the cramped lack of privacy endured by soldiers and their wives, and a Victorian soldiers' schoolroom.

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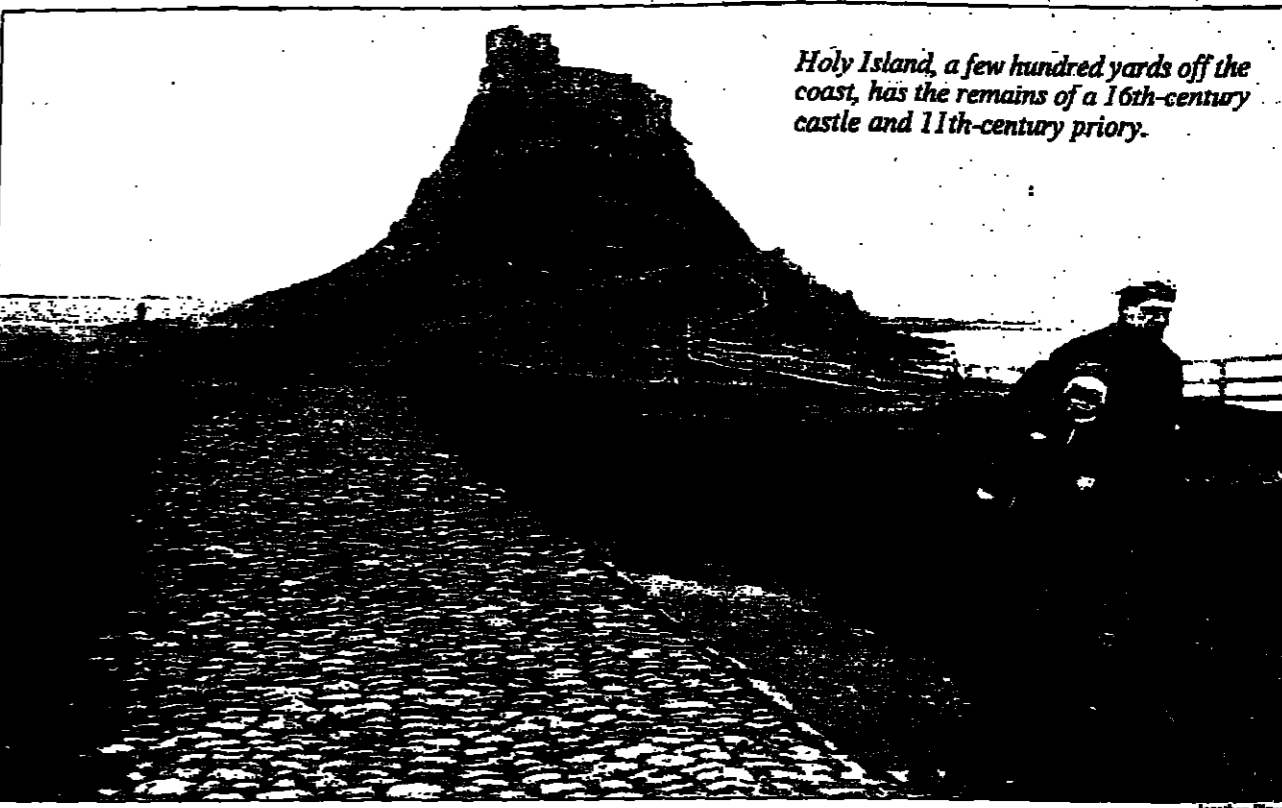
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the home of a Berwick artist, Thomas Sword Good, has lovely Venetian windows. The houses are built against the fortifications, with their main entrances on the walls and their basements plunging behind the walls to the street below. The houses on Wellington Terrace, which leads on from Quay Walls, are also worth a glance. No. 1, a black and white house with portico over the door and pretty stair windows at the back, has a design of whaling harpoons on its doors and railings. The original owner clearly made his wealth from the whaling industry that flourished in the 19th century.



Holy Island, a few hundred yards off the coast, has the remains of a 16th-century castle and 11th-century priory.

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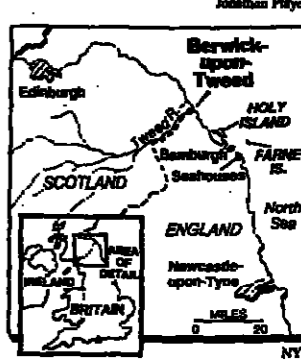
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NYSE Posts Modest Decline

United Press International NEW YORK — Prices on the New York Stock Exchange suffered a modest retreat Thursday in active trading as profit-taking and uneasiness in advance of the release of a key economic statistic combined to halt a two-day surge.

The Dow Jones industrial average, which rose 32.89 on Wednesday, fell 11.56 to close at 2,052.45. The index jumped nearly 75 points on Tuesday.

Declines led advances by about a 3-2 margin. Volume totaled 193.5 million shares, compared with 234.6 million shares traded Wednesday.

"We went up 107 points in two days, even under the best of circumstances the market is entitled to a breather," said Larry Wachtel, a market analyst with Prudential-Bache Securities Inc.

Mr. Wachtel was referring to Friday's scheduled release of the May unemployment report, which could clarify the outlook for inflation and interest rates.

He said the market, operating under the "good news is bad news" scenario, would see an increase in nonfarm payrolls of 300,000, an indication of an economy that was "too strong" and vulnerable to higher rates.

An increase of only 150,000 would be seen in the market as positive, he said.

"If the number comes in at between 200,000 and 225,000, which is the consensus forecast, it will be a neutral number," Mr. Wachtel said.

"We've seen the Dow jump about 5.5 percent in two days, so a pullback of this order is not unexpected," said David Kalman, a technical analyst with W.H. Newbold's Son & Co. in Philadelphia.

"There has been a huge takeoff in bigger stocks and in volume," Mr. Kalman said. "We have had a very positive move here, but two days are not going to make a market."

Mr. Kalman, despite his caution, conceded that market sentiment had undergone a positive change, and the short-term outlook was "reasonably favorable."

"I think what the market now sees is the likelihood for more stable interest rates," Mr. Kalman said.

Union Electric was the most active issue, off 1/4 to 24 1/4. Kansas Gas & Electric followed, up 1/4 to 20 1/4. Texaco was third, down 1 1/4 to 50 1/4.

A spokesman for Carl C. Icahn said the investor has threatened to sell his 14.8 percent stake in Texaco if he loses his proxy fight against the oil company's management.

Burlington Northern gained 1 1/4 to 69 1/4. The company announced a restructuring that includes a public offering in a new entity that will hold the stock of its energy and resource businesses.

AT&T was off 1/4 to 27. IBM slipped 1/4 to 112 1/4.

Among other blue chips, General Electric was off 1/4 to 42 1/4. Merck was off 1/4 to 55. Eastman Kodak was up 1/4 to 43 1/4 and Procter & Gamble was off 1/4 to 77 1/4.

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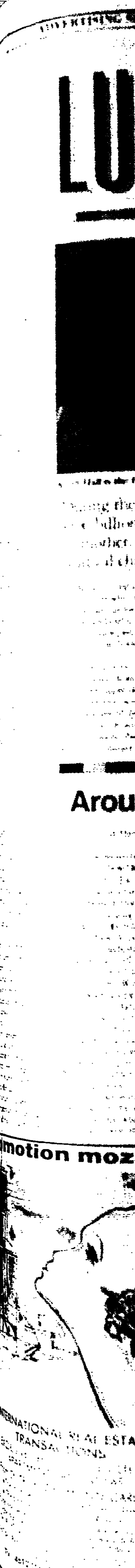
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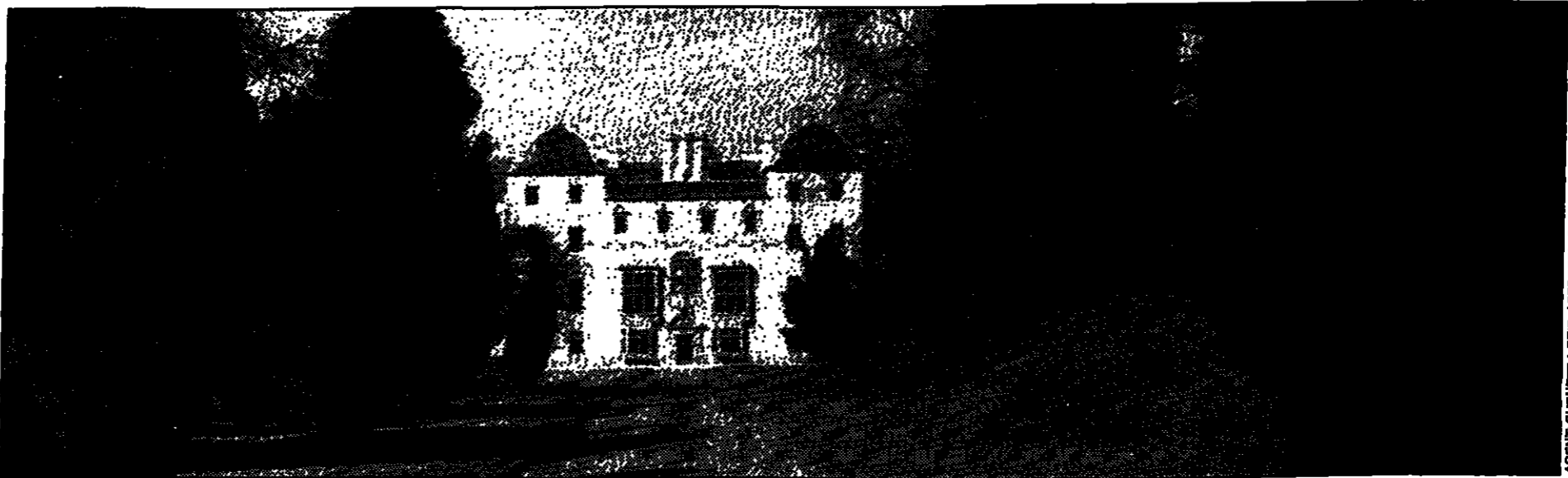
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LUXURY REAL ESTATE



Keith Hall is the 16th-century Scottish castle of the Keith family. The late 17th-century facade was put on by the first Earl of Kintore.

HONG KONG billionaire Li Ka Shing reportedly paid U.S. \$260 million for that-be-care site that was used for Expo '86 in Vancouver. He now plans to spend a further U.S. \$1 billion on developing condominium blocks, office towers, commercial centers and recreational areas to fill it. Crash, what crash? While some cynics claim that such investments are motivated by political reasons — to move money out of Hong Kong before 1997, when the People's Republic of China moves in — the reasons run deeper than that. Large companies have to get out to diversify.

Yet increasing numbers of Hong Kong residents are setting up home elsewhere, particularly in North America and Australia, and pouring their money into what Hong Kong people know best — real estate.

In the United States, falling interest rates may be heating up the market overall, but the luxury market is still reeling from the October crash. In New York, unrealistic pricing led to the fall-off. They're keeping prices from another world noted J.J. Medney, a condominium conversion specialist. "Co-op owners mortgage are out-of-sight, so maintenance is, too."

Fortunately, "DINK" households (Double-income,

no kids), "empty nesters" (older adults who don't want to maintain private homes) and foreign buyers, particularly the Japanese, are still interested in urban luxury real estate.

Private homes have also settled down from the "insane" 1986 appreciation of 25 to 35 percent, according to Lynn Goodspeed, president of Four Seasons Realty in Meriden, Conn. There 19th-century estates are

now connected to Wall Street by a new ferry service.

Outside the Northeast, the picture is spottier. John Connelly's estate auction in Houston offered dramatic proof of the continued effect of depressed oil prices on the Oil Patch and Rocky Mountain regions. Much of the Sunbelt is still struggling with overbuilding, albeit in more modest proportions. The most notable exception remains Atlanta, where neighborhoods

like Buckhead and once-rural Clayton County cater to established professionals.

Overbuilding and the fall of Latin American currencies continue to plague Miami. But areas such as Naples, West Palm Beach and Key Biscayne continue to attract affluent retirees and political refugees.

Although it's still too early to tell, this summer may see the first impact of the new tax laws on luxury second homes.

Already, Americans are seeing a rise in time-sharing programs, until now strictly a European phenomenon. Such plans offer luxury living without the burdens of second-home ownership.

Downtown Chicago saw a mini-boom after the market went on 24-hour trading. And throughout the Midwest, downtowns are using their once-neglected waterfronts to attract affluent suburbanites.

In Los Angeles, the best

rather than communal facilities, say agents Beauchamp Estates. Indoor heated pools are regularly specified.

Not enough room for installing such innovations among London's mostly ancient housing stock? Well, buyers will settle for compact plunge pools provided that there's an underwater jet stream to swim against for added exercise, according to up-market realtors Knight Frank & Rutley.

At Westover Hill, Hampstead, each of five individual houses priced at well over £1 million has a good-sized pool with jet plus sauna and gymnasium.

"A gym is currently a top-selling feature," comment agents Aston Chase, "particularly if it's fitted with a multi-gym. Vendors who invest in pumping iron are harvesting pure gold."

On the cosmopolitan Costa del Sol, the Spanish climate, lifestyle and prices have proved to be an irresistible lure for buyers from South Africa and the Far East, especially Hong Kong.

Most high-quality developments aimed at young City executives routinely feature communal swimming pools and squash and tennis courts. The Pavilions, a development in Avenue Road, St. John's Wood, has both outdoor and indoor pools with a leisure complex of Jacuzzi and steam room, to be shared by only seven apartments. But the international business community is insisting on private

computer-controlled irrigation for all balconies, Los Cypresses offers six blocks of one- to five-bedroom apartments alongside the Club Nautico.

Set in landscaped gardens amidst fountains and waterfalls, all the apartments will have satellite TV, mini-saunas, maxi-terraces and underground parking. Top of the range is a magnificent penthouse priced at £1,250,000 (\$2,325,000).

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Around the World in Style

WHAT do you give the home that's got everything? Constantly changing, elegant and practical: marble. Utterly in-visionary to passing trends, marble remains the hallmark of luxury. Where would the upmarket designer be without it?

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Amenity seekers can also find sound-proof music rooms, domestic discos complete with revolving dance floors, private swimming pools and the ubiquitous sauna. "But what you see here is fairly conservative compared to New York," claims Don-

elle Higbee of Hampton and Sons.

Who better to comment on New York's bewildering array of amenities than Kenneth Nadler. He and his associates have designed more than 45 mansions ranging in price from \$1.5 to \$3 million in the affluent New York city suburbs of Westchester County, New York and Fairfield County, Connecticut.

One new Westchester home boasts a separate, heated room for the family's three Russian wolfhounds, with windows carefully positioned so that the dogs can look out over the rose gardens.

Other features that Mr. Nadler has added at his clients' request include a living room that accommodates 300 standing (or 50 seated) yet still feels cozy when just the family are home; the ultimate

personal parking space, a heated eight-car garage with built-in car-wash; and a 3,500-square-foot art gallery for at-home viewing.

But is this luxury? Why not check the 20-by-30 foot wine cellar with its marble floor and racks for 4,000 bottles.

One of the most extraordinary properties on sale in Germany is Burg Lichtenfels, a 13th-century castle set on top of a hill surrounded by luxuriant woods. Founded by abbot Wideking of Corvey, it comes complete with everything you would expect from a castle.

No need to add marble in this case. Along with its Teutonic hall, imposing stone columns, beautiful frescoes and wooden ceilings, the castle includes nearly 160,000 square meters (1.8 million square feet) of land. That's location plus. The asking price is DM 2 million (\$1.2 million).

Location is also a draw for deluxe home seekers on the Costa del Sol. Pick of the market, at present, is "Los Cipresses del Mar," situated between Marbella and Puerto Banus. With white marble facade, reception areas in Italian marble and rosewood, and

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Tynninghame castle, East Lothian, has been converted into houses set in a beautiful garden park.

Living Like a Lord

SOME of the stately homes of England, battered by time, inheritance tax and Cromwell, have found a new role. Like the curate's egg, these grand houses are good in parts, so they are being dissected and sold off piecemeal. Wings, apartments, orangeries, dower houses, lodges, coach-houses, dovecotes, mews, stables — the whole demesne.

Other mansions, other enthusiasts. At Ottershaw Park, a listed stately home in the Palladian style, now in 13 units, the common interest has to be architectural, with lofty marble pillars dignifying the staterooms of the principal suites. Sure enough, I found that until recently the occupant of the prime Terrace Apartment was Anthony Hallows, architect/surveyor. In his mid-thirties, he poured his professional skills into creating four-bedroom suites and a sophisticated/leisure complex to complement the magnificent billiard room and library.

According to Humbergs, a real estate agency which has sold a dozen such piles, "Buyers are practical people who appreciate the extravagant scale, style and quality of building that cannot be matched nowadays. The accommodation for a ladies' second maid in the old days was often more spacious than a whole modern townhouse."

Humbergs, of Grosvenor Street, London, is one of the specialists in the great curv-up and has handled such projects as Great Hyde Hall, on the Herts/Essex border; Chase Lodge, a magnificent Georgian mansion near Andover; and the 80-roomed Sherborne House, a Renaissance-style palace overlooking the Windrush Valley in the Cotswolds between Oxford and Cheltenham.

The trouble is that many of Britain's blue-blooded nouveau pauvres find their ancestral piles formidably expensive to maintain, outrageous to heat and impossible to staff. One converted into bite-sized portions, they are snapped up as "permanent homes" and weekend retreats. The buyers are a new squinty of international businessmen, bankers and brokers from the City of London and a scatter of diplomats from the court of St. James.

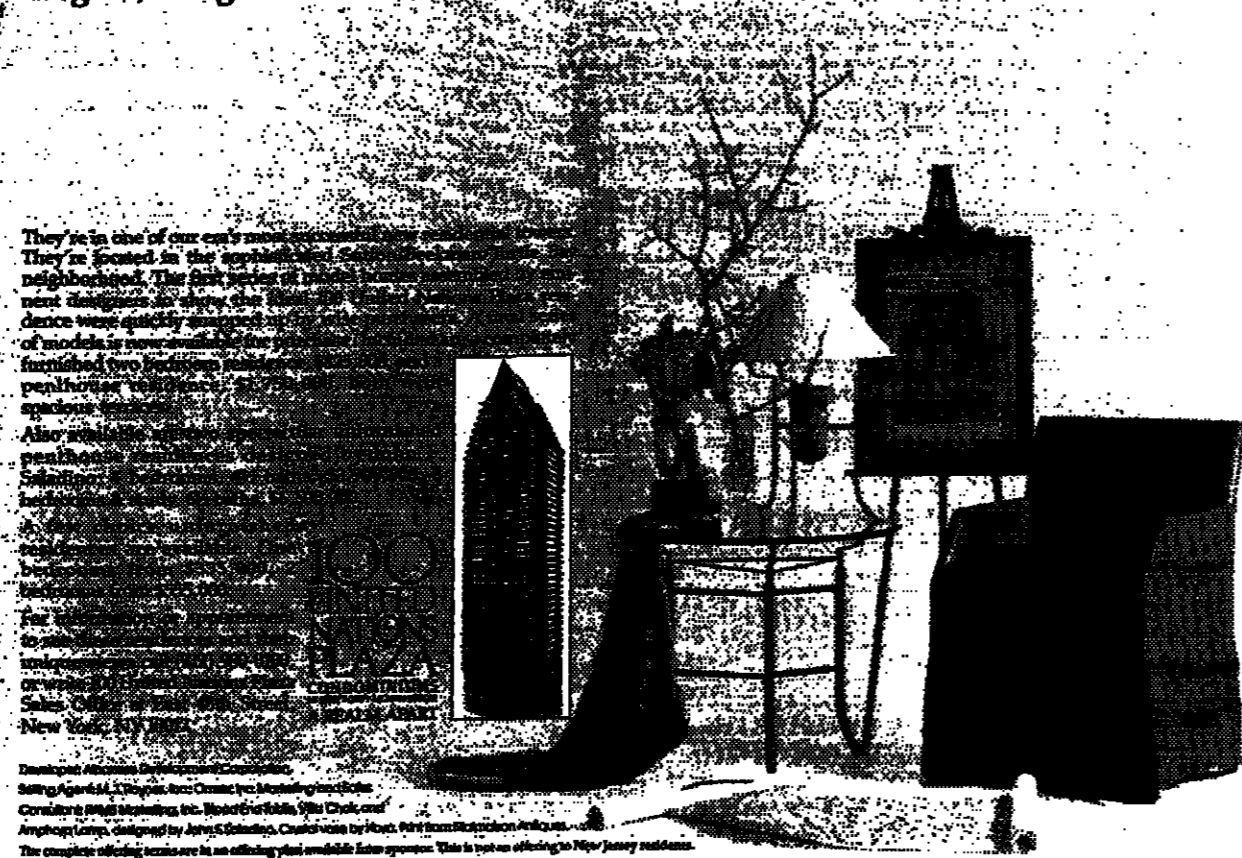
Typical is John Freeman, a general manager with Lloyds Bank. He sold up his commuter-belt home to buy the principal ground floor suite at Shillingee Park, a Sussex mansion with breath-taking views through handsome Georgian windows to Perworth and the South Downs. He and his wife Prue share the bosky gardens and the care of a gardener with 11 other couples and families such as the Gills, the Scobbs and the Carpenters. They form a harmonious community in their self-contained apartments behind the fine 18th century facade of what was, for generations, the seat of the Earls of Winterton.

Ten years after the conversion, nine of the 12 original owners are still resident there, linked by an enthusiasm for

garden and a romantic sense of history.

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such problems is offered by two organizations that lead the fight to protect these great houses from decay, collapse and final demolition: SAVE Britain's Heritage and the Historical House Association. Their saviors are Kit Martin and Christopher Buxton, who have both found that skilled, patient conversion to multiple ownership can be made to pay.

Mr. Martin has successfully handled about ten such projects, including Keich Hall in Aberdeenshire, Tynninghame Castle in the Scottish Borders, the 16th century Dingley Hall, Northants, and the enormous Gunton Hall, on a 1,800-acre estate near Cromer, Norfolk.

Buxton's London-based company, Period & Country Houses, has tackled 50 such conversions. Currently, he is working on one of the largest to date, Compton Verney, an early 18th century manor near Banbury for which he paid £51,000 (£95,000) at auction.

A management company usually looks after the communal parts and grounds, trimming the hoary yews, shaving the ancient lawns. The mix of apartment size and prices dictates a good social spread of buyers with a common interest in and respect for property. Security is high; there is always someone around.

A typical New Forest project, Newlands Manor, is operated in a way that most others now follow. Divided into 14 completely self-contained private dwellings, it is owned by a private company of which each freeholder is a director holding a number of shares. They enjoy equal rights over the 30 acres of garden.

For older people, developers Prowings have acquired the imposing Georgian Chestnut House, at Blandford Forum, Dorset, which they are converting to provide a sheltered housing scheme with 34 apartments and a resident warden.

— Alec Snobel

The attraction to the buyers of such conversions is the combination of grandeur and gracious living with ease of running. Ceilings encrusted in icing-cake plasterwork are a joy. Chandeliers illuminate salons that remember harpsichord music and powdered petticoats. However, on the negative side, some eccentricity is inevitable. A vast ballroom may link with two tiny bedrooms; a vast sweeping staircase may end at a blank wall; a kitchen may feature a minstrel gallery — or, rather, half a partitioned gallery.

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Thursdays NYSE Closing

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12 Month High Low Stock Div. Yld. PE

Table of NYSE stock prices including columns for 12 Month High, Low, Stock, Div., Yld., and PE. Includes sub-sections for (Continued) and NYSE Highs-Lows.

U.S. Futures

Via The Associated Press

Season Season Open High Low Close Chg.

Table of U.S. Futures prices for various commodities like Grains, Food, Metals, and Livestock.

Currency Options

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Philadelphia Exchange

Table of Currency Options prices for various currencies and exchange rates.

London Commodities

June 2

Class Bid Ask High Low

Table of London Commodities prices for items like SUGAR, COFFEE, and COPPER.

DM Futures Options

June 2

W. German Mark-DM 100 marks, cents per mark

Table of DM Futures Options prices for various maturities.

Spot Commodities

June 2

Commodity Bid Ask

Table of Spot Commodities prices for various goods like oil, sugar, and metals.

Company Results

Revenue and profits in millions, unless otherwise indicated.

Table of Company Results for various firms like Royal Bank of Canada and PHH Group.

NYSE Highs-Lows

Table of NYSE Highs-Lows for various stocks.

AMEX Highs-Lows

Table of AMEX Highs-Lows for various stocks.

X-Y-Z

Table of X-Y-Z stock prices for various companies.

Dividends

Table of Dividends for various companies.

Paris Commodities

Table of Paris Commodities prices for various goods.

U.S. Treasuries

Table of U.S. Treasuries prices for various maturities.

Market Guide

Table of Market Guide for various markets and indices.

WASHINGTON — The U.S. International Trade Commission decided on Thursday that U.S. industry had been damaged by nitrile rubber imports from two Japanese companies...

U.S. Asserts Japan Dumps Rubber Used in Autos. WASHINGTON — The U.S. International Trade Commission decided on Thursday that U.S. industry had been damaged by nitrile rubber imports from two Japanese companies...

OPEC Exceeded Quota On Production by a Wider Margin in May. PARIS — Output by OPEC's 13 member countries edged up to 18.6 million barrels a day in May from 18.4 million in April...

London Commodities. SUGAR: U.S. dollars per metric ton. COFFEE: U.S. dollars per 100 lbs. COPPER: U.S. dollars per metric ton.

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BUSINESS ROUNDUP

Burlington Northern To Divest Energy Unit

NEW YORK — Burlington Northern Inc. said Thursday it plans to divest itself of its non-transportation subsidiary, and it said the unit may bid for some of Temeco Inc.'s energy businesses, which are up for sale.

Swiss Central Bank Assails Limit on New Stockholders

ZURICH — The central bank of Switzerland assailed on Thursday a widespread practice under which Swiss companies limit the voting rights of new shareholders. It said the practice may be hurting Swiss financial markets.

Japanese Sealing Back Investments in U.S. Office Towers

By Eric N. Berg New York Times Service NEW YORK — After paying extraordinary sums for premier office buildings in New York, Los Angeles and other major U.S. cities, many Japanese real estate companies are adopting a more conservative investment strategy — a fact that is having a significant impact on the price of commercial real estate in the United States.

David Shulman, the director of real estate research at Salomon Brothers Inc., added: "The Japanese seem to be spreading out." A range of factors has brought about the new approach.

"We've seen exponential growth, and now it's moderating," said Jack Barthel, head of the consulting practice in Los Angeles for Kenneth Leventhal & Co. An accounting firm specializing in real estate, Leventhal predicts that Japanese investors will nonetheless spend a record \$16.6 billion this year on U.S. commercial real estate.

IBM Unveils Faster PS-2s, Marks Down 2 Old Models

NEW YORK — International Business Machines Corp. added seven high-powered models Thursday to its PS-2 line of personal computers and cut prices on two models in the year-old line by 5 to 18 percent.

Inventor of Pong Returns to Develop New Games for Atari

By Lawrence M. Fisher New York Times Service NEW YORK — Nolan K. Bushnell, who began the video game craze with Pong in the early 1970s, plans to return to developing the games for Atari Corp.

Microsoft Announces A New Word Program

New York Times Service SAN FRANCISCO — Microsoft Corp. has a new version of its word-processing program for Apple Computer Inc.'s Macintosh personal computers.

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ROWNTREE: Hometown Opposes Foreign Bidders

(Continued from first finance page) Nestlé's latest offer is for \$90 million. So far, Rowntree's management has refused to hold talks with either Swiss bidder, insisting that the York company should remain independent.

Dentsu Profit Increased 24% In Record Year

Agency France-Press TOKYO — The world's largest advertising agency, Dentsu Inc., said Thursday that its unconsolidated pretax profit jumped 24.3 percent to a record 19.165 billion yen (\$152.95 million) in the year that ended March 31.

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Highlights of KfW's Balance Sheet 1987 DM billion 36.8 89.6 13.7 3.7 1986 Capital and reserves Bonds Banking liabilities Loans granted Balance sheet total

Stock Indexes Commodities Market Guide

May, 1988

AMEX Closing

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12 Month High	Low	Stock	Div. Yld. %	PE	3m High Low	One	One	One
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127 1/4	123 1/2	ABN	5.2	15.2	126 1/4	124 1/4	124 1/4	+ 1/4
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118 1/4	115 1/4	ACR	5.2	15.2	118 1/4	115 1/4	115 1/4	+ 1/4
117 1/4	114 1/4	ADP	5.2	15.2	117 1/4	114 1/4	114 1/4	+ 1/4
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INTERNATIONAL FUNDS (Quotations Supplied by Funds Listed) 2nd June 1988

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Fund Name	Value	Change
ALMA Global Fund	29.25	+0.25
ALMA Growth Fund	13.25	+0.25
ALMA Income Fund	10.25	+0.25
ALMA International Fund	12.25	+0.25
ALMA Pacific Fund	11.25	+0.25
ALMA US Fund	14.25	+0.25
ALMA World Fund	13.25	+0.25
ALMA Bond Fund	12.25	+0.25
ALMA Dividend Fund	11.25	+0.25
ALMA Equity Fund	13.25	+0.25
ALMA Growth & Income Fund	14.25	+0.25
ALMA International Growth Fund	15.25	+0.25
ALMA Pacific Growth Fund	16.25	+0.25
ALMA US Growth Fund	17.25	+0.25
ALMA World Growth Fund	18.25	+0.25
ALMA Bond Growth Fund	19.25	+0.25
ALMA Dividend Growth Fund	20.25	+0.25
ALMA Equity Growth Fund	21.25	+0.25
ALMA Growth & Income Growth Fund	22.25	+0.25
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Floating Rate Notes

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Currency	Instrument	Rate	Term	Issuer
Dollars	3m (Municipal)	7.25	3m	City of New York
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Dollars	9m (Municipal)	7.25	9m	City of New York
Dollars	12m (Municipal)	7.25	12m	City of New York
Dollars	3m (Corporate)	7.25	3m	General Electric
Dollars	6m (Corporate)	7.25	6m	General Electric
Dollars	9m (Corporate)	7.25	9m	General Electric
Dollars	12m (Corporate)	7.25	12m	General Electric
Dollars	3m (Government)	7.25	3m	Treasury
Dollars	6m (Government)	7.25	6m	Treasury
Dollars	9m (Government)	7.25	9m	Treasury
Dollars	12m (Government)	7.25	12m	Treasury

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CURRENCY MARKETS

POUND: Currency Slumps Despite U.K. Rate Rise

(Continued from first finance page) son and Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher resolved a major policy disagreement.

London Dollar Rates

Table with columns: Currency, Bid, Ask, and Source: Reuters

Wednesday, it was the lowest close on the index since March 7. In New York, traders said the Federal Reserve system was selling dollars for yen, pounds and marks to keep the U.S. currency from rising.

discount rate rise has subsided, but dealers said that the recent rise in the federal funds interbank loan rate to between 7.25 percent and 7.375 percent from around 7 percent was sufficient to bolster the dollar.

Australia Unit Alters Course, Falls Sharply

SYDNEY — The Australian dollar reversed its recent climb and fell sharply on Thursday after early profit-taking broke key support levels, dealers said.

REFORMS: H.K. Panel Acts

(Continued from first finance page) supervisory body outside the civil service. The idea here is to remove the government from any direct involvement in exchange affairs.

TO OUR READERS IN HOLLAND

The International Herald Tribune is now on newsstands throughout Holland every morning six days a week Monday-Saturday.

Bérégovoy Says U.K. Stance on EMS Blocks Wider Reform

PARIS — Finance Minister Pierre Bérégovoy asserted Thursday that Britain was blocking progress on wider European monetary reform by refusing to bring the pound into the European Monetary System's floating grid of exchange rates.

Mr. Bérégovoy said that Nigel Lawson, the British chancellor of the Exchequer, favored full EMS membership for the pound but that Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher opposed it.

In a speech last month at the height of a public dispute within the British cabinet over exchange-rate policy, Foreign Secretary Geoffrey Howe supported Mr. Lawson's position, stating bluntly that Britain could not indefinitely declare its intention to join the EMS when conditions are right.

part in an exchange-rate mechanism, or one should not. But then what is sterling doing in the ECU? Successive French governments have tried to persuade Britain to join the EMS grid, in which eight currencies can fluctuate against each other within set ranges.

Thursday's OTC Prices. NASDAQ prices as of 4 p.m. New York time. This list, compiled by the AP, consists of the 1,000 most traded securities in terms of dollar volume.

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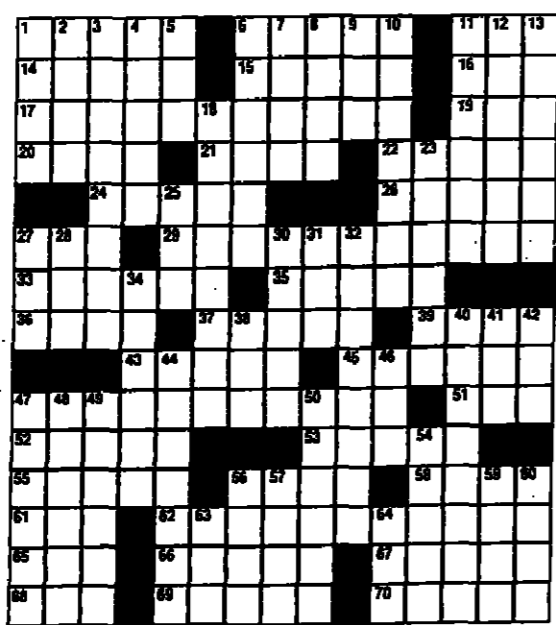
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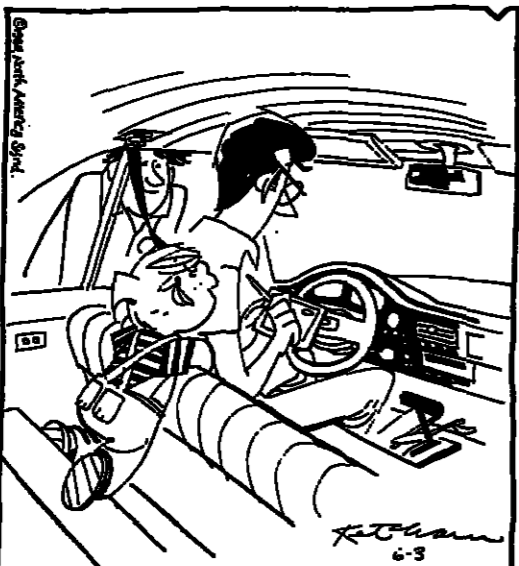
Sales figures are unofficial. Yearly highs and lows reflect the previous 52 weeks plus the current week, but not the latest trading day. Where a split or stock dividend occurred in the 52 weeks shown for the new stock only. Unless otherwise noted, rates of dividends are annual declarations based on the latest declaration.



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 - Kaiser or Maxwell
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 - French-Belgian
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 - Anvil and hammer site
 - Charlotte
 - "Same Time, Next Year" heroine
 - Succor
 - Sgt.
 - Hopelessness
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 - A source of caviar
 - Charm
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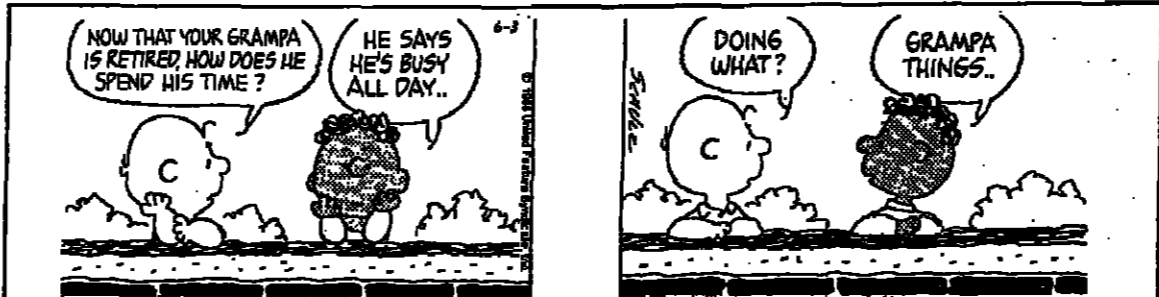
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Answer: What kind of remarks did the pancake chef make? — FLIP-PANTY OWES

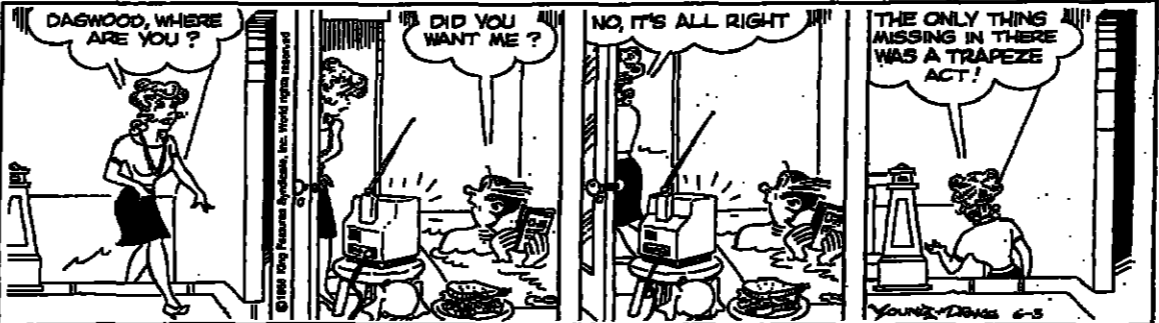
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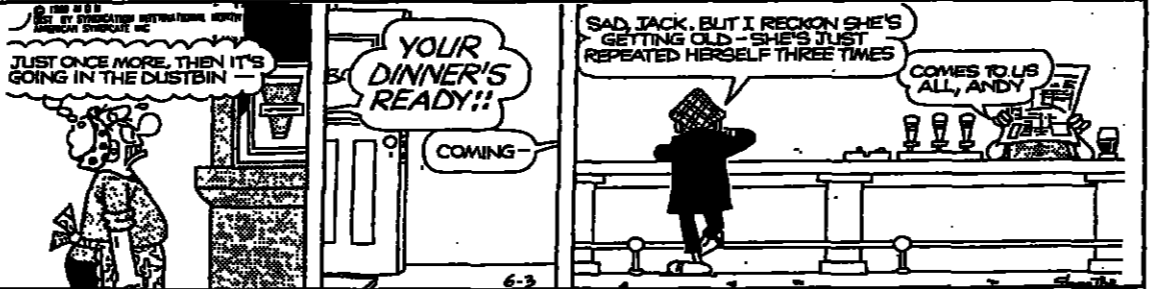
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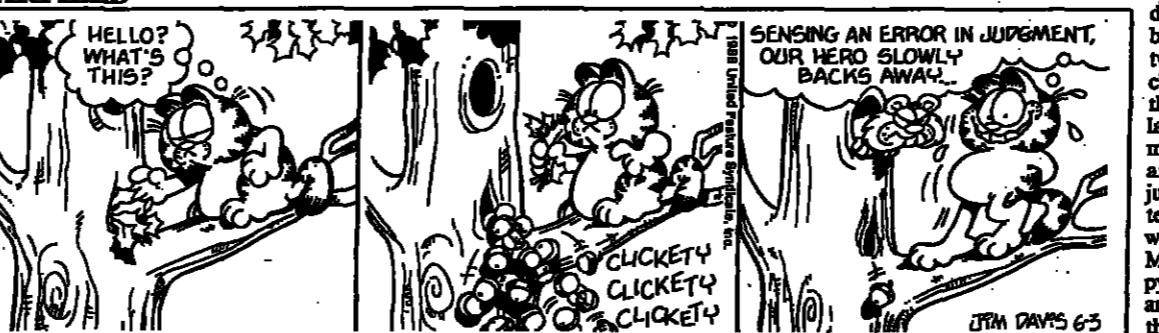
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BOOKS

CAPOTE

By Gerald Clarke. Illustrated. 632 pages. \$22.95. Simon & Schuster, 1230 Avenue of the Americas, New York, N. Y. 10020. Reviewed by Michiko Kakutani

"ANSWERED PRAYERS," the title of Truman Capote's last and unfinished novel, came from an aphorism attributed to St. Teresa — that more tears are shed over answered prayers than unanswered ones; and as chronicled by Gerald Clarke's gossipy biography, Capote's life emerges as an all too graphic illustration of that saying.

Having had access to Capote for some nine years before his death in 1984, Clarke has been able to re-create much of his life with journalistic detail, fluently conjuring up for us both the rarefied worlds he inhabited in Manhattan, Paris and Palm Springs, California, and the gothic, storybook world of his childhood in Alabama, which would indelibly shape his ambitions and his fears.

BRIDGE

By Alan Truscott

TWO veteran New York experts, who were playing together a quarter of a century ago, led into the final two sessions of the prestigious Golden Pairs at the Eastern Regional Championships. Gene Proxmire of Brooklyn and Ira Ewen of Jamaica, Queens, topped a strong field with a qualifying score of 590 match points.

Bridge hand diagram showing cards for North and South. Includes a small table with scores and a note: "West led the diamond two."

After years of being ridiculed for his high-pitched voice and little-boy looks, Truman Capote began to come into his own as a high school student in New York and Connecticut. He began writing for the school literary magazines and joined a group of fast, sophisticated young people who hang out at El Morocco and the Stork Club.

From his father, it seems, Capote inherited an unerring instinct for self-promotion — at least, self-dramatization appears to have played a large role as genuine talent in his fledgling literary career. As a copyboy at The New Yorker, he made himself a topic of office gossip by having his lunch delivered from restaurants like the "21" Club.

With a couple of stories, he established himself in Clarke's words, as "the most famous unpublished novelist in America"; and with the publication of "Other Voices, Other Rooms," he became, Clarke reports, the most talked-about writer of 1948 — a development due in large measure to the startling photo he chose for the back cover of the book, a portrait of the author as a narcissistic enfant terrible.

In the end, though, Capote seems less sympathetic than merely pathetic. Vengeful, petty and opportunistic, he ended by cutting off his own family and betraying the confidences of his best friends — and in doing so, he insured that his lifelong fear of abandonment would become a self-fulfilling prophecy.

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SPORTS

Lendl Routed by Svensson, Injury in 3 Sets

Leconte Wins; Graf, Zvereva in Women's Final

By Robin Herman

PARIS — Top-seeded Ivan Lendl was quickly conquered Thursday by Jonas B. Svensson, by a score of 7-6 (7-5), 7-5, 6-2, in the biggest surprise of a French Open full of surprises this year.

Svensson, an unseeded Swede, pushed Lendl to the limit with a mix of shots unusual for clay court tennis. Then one stretch too many by Lendl late in the second set resulted in a strained chest muscle for the two-time defending champion.

Spiraling out of the contest in the third set, the stoic Czech called for a trainer, who sprayed a cold, numbing "liquid ice" under his shirt. But, said Lendl, "At that time I knew I was gone. I was hoping for a miracle, maybe him getting very tired or something like that or the ice working, but it was a long shot."

More predictable was the 6-3, 7-6 (7-3) victory by the women's top seed, Steffi Graf, 18, of West Germany, over fourth-seeded Gabriela Sabatini, 18, of Argentina. Graf served especially well while Sabatini committed a recent pattern of errors, particularly on her backhand.



Jonas Svensson celebrated his unexpected victory Thursday after top-seeded Ivan Lendl explained his pain to a trainer during the three-set upset.

Heuri Leconte, the men's 11th seed, worked his way back into favor with his critical French audience with a 6-3, 6-2, 7-6 (7-4) quarterfinal victory over No. 14 Andrei Chernenko of the Soviet Union, while in the women's other semifinal, 17-year-old Natalia Zvereva of the Soviet Union beat 18-year-old Australian Nicole Provis, 6-3, 6-7 (3-7), 7-5.

The 13th-seeded Zvereva became the first Soviet player to reach the French Open women's singles final after both players held and lost match points during a contest that lasted just more than two hours.

Factor of airplane engines, were using bullhorns to blast music and yell into the stadium to disrupt the tournament and attract attention.

Thomas Rallies Pistons to Rout In OT; Celts 1 Game From Out

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

BOSTON — With Isiah Thomas scoring 20 of his game-high 35 points in the fourth quarter and overtime Wednesday night, the Detroit Pistons beat the Boston Celtics, 102-96, in the National Basketball Association playoffs by overcoming a 16-point deficit when the home team missed 13 straight shots and scored but two points in more than seven minutes of the second half.

NBA PLAYOFFS

pullled ahead in the first seven minutes of the second quarter, when the Pistons went two-for-13 and got only four points. But Boston was 10-for-36 in the next half, which it opened on Parish's basket for a 56-40 lead. In those two quarters the Celtics scored only 36 more points, barely keeping pace with Thomas.

"That gave the Pistons a 3-2 lead in the best-of-seven Eastern Conference final. With a victory Friday night in the Silverdome in Pontiac, Michigan, they can advance to their first NBA final since the franchise was moved from Fort Wayne, Indiana, in 1958.

The Pistons, who ended a 21-game losing streak in Boston Garden in this series' first game, now have won two of the three played there. The seventh game, if necessary, is to be played there Sunday. Only five players scored Wednesday night for the Celtics: Larry Bird with 27 points, Kevin McHale with 26 before fouling out with 1:59 left in regulation, Dennis Johnson with 23, Robert Parish with 18 and seldom-used reserve Fred Roberts, whose two with 1:10 left sent the contest into overtime tied at 92 after both Thomas and Bird twice missed shots. Starting center Danny Ainge was scoreless.

After Johnson got a lay-up to tie the game at 92, Ainge's shot was blocked by Bird. The Celtics' last shot was a 23-point lay-up by Bird, which was blocked by Thomas. The Pistons' last shot was a 23-point lay-up by Bird, which was blocked by Thomas.

Luckhurst Quits NFL — to Talk About It in U.K.

SUWANEE, Georgia — Mick Luckhurst of the Atlanta Falcons, one of the National Football League's better placekickers, announced Wednesday that he is leaving the NFL "at least for now" to become host of a weekly British television sports show devoted to U.S. pro football.

"This was not a financial decision," he said. "I'll be making less money than I made playing football."

Motor City's Lemons Turn Wreckers

By Joe Lapointe

DETROIT — During their first quarter-century representing the Motor City in pro basketball, the Detroit Pistons evoked bad jokes about flat tires, stalled engines and lemons from the assembly line.

They rarely won more games than they lost. They qualified for the playoffs less than half the time and, more often than not, lost in the first round. Draft choices were squandered, strange trades were made and coaches came and went, rarely to coach again in the National Basketball Association.

Their home court moved from place to place in the metropolitan area, from the Olympia to Cobo Arena to the Silverdome. One playoff game was in a high school gym. In the minds of Detroit sports fans, the Pistons were fourth among the city's four professional teams.

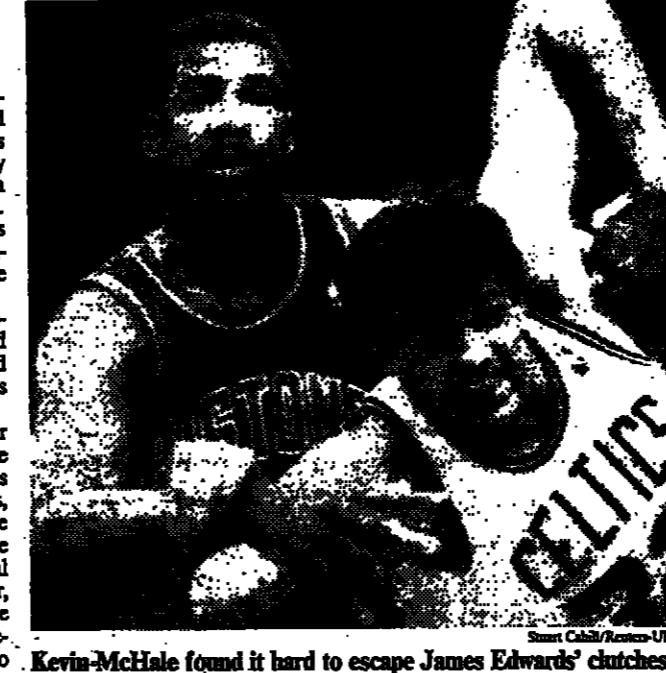
Last season, after a gradual building through the 1980s, the Pistons gained a new level of status both locally and nationally by winning two playoff series and taking the Boston Celtics to seven games before losing a bitter and memorable Eastern Conference final series.

This season, their 31st since arriving from Fort Wayne, Indiana, the Pistons are respected, if not loved, in the NBA.

They won a divisional title for the first time. They tied with Denver for the league's third-best record (54-28) behind Los Angeles and Boston. They easily ousted the Chicago Bulls in the conference semifinals. They have the Celtics on the ropes in the final.

Although it still sounds strange to those who know this franchise's history, it isn't preposterous to suggest that the Pistons are contenders for the league championship.

"You've got to hammer and hammer over your time will come," said Bill Laimbeer, their rugged center. "If you bash on that door long enough, it will fall down."



Kevin McHale found it hard to escape James Edwards' clutches.

Dodgers Win Another Battle With Mets

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

NEW YORK — The Los Angeles Dodgers beat the New York Mets, 4-3, Wednesday night for the first time this season, but if the National League leaders meet in the playoffs it may take a disarmament pact to ensure the peace.

When they played in Los Angeles last month, Alfredo Griffin suffered a broken hand when he was hit by a pitch from the Mets' Dwight Gooden. The next day, Pedro Guerrero, having been hit by David Cone's pitch, threw his bat at the Mets' starter and was suspended for four days. At the start of this series, both teams were warned about knockdown pitches.

Burned on the top of the third inning of Wednesday night's sixth game between the teams, the Dodgers' Steve Sax was sent diving to the dirt by a first-pitch fastball from Sid Bream, which hit the knob of Sax's bat. In the bottom of the inning, Tim Lincecum was ejected for hitting the first batter up, Kevin Elster, in the small of the back.

Elster, as a late-inning defensive replacement Tuesday night, had homered with two out in the bottom of the 11th to give the Mets a 5-4 victory.

"I wasn't surprised that I was ejected," Belcher said. "My problem is why Fernandez wasn't thrown out, too."

BASEBALL ROUNDUP

The first hit of Floyd Youmans, Will Clark's seventh-inning homer, gave San Francisco a 1-1 tie. Then Jeffrey Leonard doubled, taking third as his sinking liner popped out of the glove of catcher fielder Mitch Webster.

Braves 14, Pirates 2: In Atlanta, Rick Mahler equaled his major-league high with a seventh consecutive victory, all in a 24-day stretch, as Gerald Perry and Ron Gant hit two-run homers during a six-run fifth against Pittsburgh.

Twins 7, Rangers 1: In Philadelphia, pinch-hitter Luis Aguayo's two-run, two-out single began a five-run rally in a rain-delayed eighth that beat San Diego.

Cardinals 3, Astros 2: In Houston, pinch-hitter Steve Laker's two-out single in the 13th gave St. Louis its victory by scoring Luis Alcaez, who had doubled.

Blue Jays 7, Brewers 2: In Toronto, George Bell hit an RBI single during a five-run first and made two shoestring catches in left field to help beat Milwaukee.

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